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SUBJECT: ATMOSPHERICS IN TRIPOLI

1. IN ORDER PROVIDE DEPARTMENT WITH ATMOSPHERICS IN TRIPOLI DURING PAST WEEK, AS WELL AS WITH AN APPRECIATION OF MANIFESTATIONS OF " CULTURAL REVOLUTION" AND APPARENT DECISION BY RCC TO CRACK THE WHIP ON ARABIZATION, WE OFFER:

A. PRIVATE BEACH AND TENNIS CLUBS CLOSED INDEFINITELY " PENDING ARABIZATION OF THEIR DOCUMENTS". (COMMENT: BELIEVE LIKELY THEY ARE CLOSED FOR GOOD AS THEY ARE, IN RCC EYES, FOREIGN ENCLAVES AND, INCIDENTALLY, ONE PLACE WHERE LIBYANS CAN MEET OPENLY WITH FOREIGNERS .) FURTHER, NO PRIVATE CLUB CAN NOW CHARGE MORE THAN 25 PIASTERS FOR USE OF ITS FACILITIES, THE EFFECT BEING NO PRIVATE CLUBS.

B. ONE OF THE EQUESTRIAN CLUBS HAS BEEN CLOSED, THE OTHER IS OPEN. THAT CLOSED WAS ON LAND NATIONALIZED BY GOVERNMENT. ONE OPEN SHOWED ARABIC LANGUAGE BOOKKEEPING WHICH APPARENTLY SATISFIED MINISTRY OF INTERIOR INVESTIGATORS.

C. OIL CLINIC IS HAVING DIFFICULT TIME CONTINUING TO OPERATE DUE PROBLEMS GETTING EXPATRIATE MEDICAL
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PERSONNEL INTO COUNTRY. ITS DIRECTOR FEARS NATIONALIZATION OF CLINIC SOON, POINTING OUT LARG IS RELIABLY REPORTED TO BE LOOKING FOR A LIBYAN DIRECTOR.

D. RUMORS AROUND THAT OIL COMPANY SCHOOL HAS LIMITED LIFE AHEAD, BUT IT IS NOT YET SUBJECT OF ANY SPECIFIC REPORTS. (COMMENT: WE BELIEVE IT ALMOST INEVITABLE THAT SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED EVENTUALLY.)

E. TUNISIANS HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM " TOURIST VILLAGE", WHICH IS NOW APPARENTLY IN EXCLUSIVELY LIBYAN HANDS.

F. ALL PRIVATE, SPORTING BOATS HAVE BEEN CONFISCATED. (THIS HAS HAPPENED BEFORE).

G. POLICE ENTERED SPANISH DIPLOMATS HOME AT SEASHORE AND AT GUNPOINT RETRIVED A SMALL BOAT WHICH DIPLOMAT WAS STORING FOR AN EXPATRIATE BUSINESSMAN.

2. THE ABOVE, COUPLED WITH BAN ON IMPORTATION OF ALCOHOL, CLOSING OF ONE CHURCH, PROBABLE CLOSING OF REMAINDER OF CHURCHES WHEN VISAS FOR RESIDENT CLERGYMEN EXPIRE, AND CLOSURE OF BEACHES WITHIN EASY REACH OF TRIPOLI, GO LONG WAY TOWARD MAKING TRIPOLI LESS THAN A GARDEN SPOT ON THE MEDITERRANEAN.
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